



The "Johnnies," in Richmond, of whom there are few (though all things considered their number is comparatively small), are largely outnumbered by those of the opposite sex, who have a keenly penetrating eye for the neighborhood of the stage-door. These matinee girls, or stage-door Maggies, were developed in Richmond when the O'Brien Company was first engaged here. To the credit of the girls, it must be said that most of them were attracted rather by a desire to see the ladies of the company, as they appeared in street attire, than by a wish to see the men, though, of course, they cast furtive glances at their idols, as the latter swaggered down the street. They could no more have refrained from that, than from surveying their own images in the mirror in the lobby. With many of the girls, Miss Graye Scott was the magnet that drew them with irresistible power to a place commanding a good view of the sidewalk just in front of the stage entrance. Lucille LaVerne was another favorite with them.

The matinee girl, having once developed into the stage-door Maggie, has continued in her practice of blocking the sidewalk in front of the theatres. She has caused others to contract the habit, until now there are in Richmond quite a number of the specimen of womanhood. They are less noticeable after performances at the Academy than they are on matinee days at the Bijou.

It is only after the appearance of some well known actress, for instance, Maxine Elliott, who always brings them out in full force, that the girls take up their position in front of the Academy. This goes to prove that the species is attracted by the women of the stage, rather than by the men. Probably many of them have the inclination to subject their favorite actors to the embarrassment of being reviewed by an array of feminine admirers, but they seldom have the courage to do this, as they themselves have to face the public gaze, and it is not very pleasant to place themselves in the attitude of man-staring.

At the Bijou, it is a regular occurrence for the entrance in the alley on Eighth Street, leading to the stage door, to be crowded with females between the ages of fourteen and twenty. It is the "week-end" that leads to the desire to see what the players look like "off the stage." Hence it is that the Bijou has been the means of keeping alive the species that may be said to have first appeared in these parts with the organization of Mr. O'Brien's Richmond Stock Company. If the species existed here before, it must have been many years ago, and it had certainly become extinct. There are two actresses who are largely responsible for this new type of matinee girl. One, as already mentioned, is Graye Scott, and the other is Mary Marble. However, the creatures are young and harmless, and they make the neighborhood of the stage door more attractive than nine out of ten of the actresses who pass in review before them.

There were reports last week that uncanonized noises were heard in the deserted Casino. If there was anything spooky about it, there is every reason to believe that it was the ghost that failed to walk while the Imperial Opera Company was at that playhouse last week. It is to be hoped that the ghost will vacate before the local performers occupy the boards of the Casino Tuesday night, else there may be good cause for stage fright on the part of some of the amateurs.

Richard Golden, years ago, when he was with Pauline Hall in "The Honeymoon," used to sing a song about the "ghost who never could learn to walk." Many traveling theatrical companies carry with them such a ghost. Some of them never walk during the entire season. When an actor gets in a company that carries with it one of the ghosts that "never can learn to walk," the best thing for him to do is to get into practice himself. It is a dead sure thing that somebody has got to do the walking, and if the ghost cannot be induced to do it, then it is generally up to the actor.

McFadden's Flats. "McFadden's Row of Flats" is announced for an engagement at the Academy next Thursday. "Flats" has the reputation of being one of the most successful of farce comedies. Its seventh season and endeavors to hold its reputation this year by presenting itself in a new dress of scenery, costumes and pretty faces. All the business and jokes are said to be new, novel and original, and it is promised that the production, as a whole, will be better than any previous one of this piece. A number of new and clever specialties are introduced and the chorus, which numbers twenty people is claimed to be made up of remarkably pretty show girls. In the roster of the company will be found the Speck Brothers, (the Yellow Kids) Billy Barry, Jr., Jos. F. Willard, Otto Brothers, Harry Fentell, Gussie Nelson, Lizzie Conway and others.

"The Waifs' Paradise." "The Waifs' Paradise," Howard Hall's latest melodrama, opens at the Bijou Theatre, Monday for a stay of one week. The piece gains its title from the generosity of Uncle Bob Van Brunt, a



HOWARD HALL AND BABY SON, At the Bijou.

Michigan farmer, in extending the hospitality of his home to a numerous orphanage sent to him from Chicago to get a breath of country air. Among the waifs entertained by him and Aunt Fanny are Seth and Rose, both of whom have at the opening of the play arrived at an age when love's young dream begins to interest them.

Their mutual attachment results in a secret marriage, and just as they are about to proclaim their happiness, a serpent appears in the paradise that is their little Eden, in the form of the farmer's nephew. The latter, becoming infatuated with the girl and realizing where her affections have been placed, determines to get the better of his rival. To this end he uses the aid of a rascally lawyer who purports to be a certified copy of an orphan asylum's register of inmates, and by this forged document convinces the young husband and wife and their friends that they are brother and sister.

Afraid to acknowledge their marriage, the despairing victims of this fraud disappear. The wife is discovered later trying to earn a livelihood for herself and child, and annoyed by the persistent and unwelcome attentions of the pampered nephew. She is a woman of spirit, however, and when he would force his charity on her she slaps his face and her faithful companion, Chloe, thrusts a scalding hot boiling water. He and the lawyer continue to make themselves obnoxious, until Seth, whose letters to his wife have been intercepted, suddenly appears on the scene just as Rose is about to be ejected for non-payment of rent and discovers with the aid of a physician that the baby is suffering with malignant diphtheria. He has the house quarantined and all within it at the time made prisoners.

The wife's offensive suit is stricken with the disease, and his conscience pricking him, he writes a letter confessing that the alleged copy of the register is a forgery, gives it to her, and exacts a promise that it will not be opened if he gets well. This letter eventually sets matters right, but before its contents become known to those whom it will benefit most, the audience is kept in suspense by its passage from one hand to another, a clever trick in stage business, and a climax of great interest is reached.

ALEXANDRIA ITEMS.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALEXANDRIA, Va., Sept. 10.—Rev. W. J. Morton, rector of Christ Church, has returned from his vacation.
Mrs. C. W. Ashby, who has been at

Bluemont for the past month, has returned to her home.
Mr. J. D. Normoyle and Mr. M. T. Dewar, are at Atlantic City for a few weeks.
Miss Minnie Grillbortzer is at Asheville, North Carolina, where she will remain for several months.
Mrs. Walter G. Rodgers, Miss Mamie



GUSSIE NELSON, With McFadden's Flats.

B. Agnew, and Mrs. H. E. Demarest are visiting in Loudoun county.
Miss Ellen Bidgood, of Norfolk county, who has been visiting Miss Emily Rebecca May, has returned to her home.
Judge L. C. Bailey, and family, have returned from Blue Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania, where they spent the past month.
Rev. J. H. S. Ewell, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, this city, is visiting relatives in Kent county, Maryland.

Miss Ella Howdershell, of Lincoln, Fairfax county, is visiting in this city.
Miss Nella Murtha, of Bennington, Vermont, is visiting Mrs. Samuel Chevalier, South Patrick Street.
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bendheim have gone to New York for a short visit.
Dr. L. M. Blackford, principal of the Episcopal High School, who spent the summer in Europe, has returned home.

Rev. Berryman Green, of the Episcopal Theological Seminary, who has been traveling in Europe, sailed for home Tuesday.
Misses Kate and Julia Monroe are visiting in Boston.
Messrs. Lindsay and Conrad Johnson have entered the Virginia Military Institute.

Miss Louise Fauntleroy, of Staunton, Miss Marie Brunson, of Charlottesville, South Carolina, and Miss Alice R. Tierney, of Hyattsville, Maryland, are the guests of Miss Marian Lindsey.
Miss Bertha Lathrop, of Tappanook, the guest of Miss Mary Lindsey.
Miss Clara Cox, of Ashland, is visiting Mrs. Overton Westfield Price.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gage are visiting their daughter in New York city.
Miss Hildreth Gaiswood has returned from Orkney Springs.

UNION BANK OF RICHMOND.

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Statement of the financial condition of the Union Bank of Richmond, Va., located at Richmond, Va., in the State of Virginia, at the close of business, 6th of September, 1904, made to the State Corporation Commission.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$1,498,222 38
Stocks, bonds and mortgages	473,546 25
Furniture and fixtures	2,000 00
Checks and other cash items	130 00
Due from National Banks	91,640 54
Specie, nickels and cents	431 14
Paper currency	3,404 00

Total \$2,069,374 31

I, W. R. Massie, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of the Union Bank of Richmond, Va., located at Richmond, Va., in the State of Virginia, at the close of business on the 6th day of September, 1904, to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. R. MASSIE, Cashier. Correct Attest: R. T. ARRINGTON, T. WILLIAM PEMBERTON, J. B. BEASLEY, Directors. State of Virginia, City of Richmond: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of September, 1904. J. C. JOPLIN, Notary Public. My commission expires 19th of December, 1904.

Your money is always safe when deposited with a strong and conservatively managed bank. We invite your account and will add you to save your money. Interest allowed on deposits of one dollar and upwards. Loans negotiated.

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 219,750 00
Undivided profits, less amount paid for interest, expenses and taxes	326,059 95
Dividends unpaid	327 00
Individual deposits subject to check, sixty days' notice	1,464,638 68
Time certificates of deposit, sixty days' notice	23,598 68
Interest on deposits in advance	35,000 00

Total \$2,069,374 31

BRANDON PLAYING A MILITARY GAME

The Latest Form of Amusement at That Pretty Resort.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BASIC CITY, Va., Sept. 10.—These delightfully cool days are enjoyed by all at the Hotel Brandon.

Last week military euchre proved so enjoyable that another game was played Wednesday night in the gentlemen's reading-room. There were five tables playing. The countries combating being the United States, England, Russia, France, and Germany. After two hours spent in playing the standards were counted. It was found that Germany had made the most conquests, 40, the four defending that country were presented with the head prizes, dainty pieces of bric-a-brac. France was again unfortunate and lost so her defenders received the booty prizes which were ridiculous little bisquit figures. Those defending Germany were Mrs. W. A. Williams, Mr. Robbins, Mrs. Warren Taylor, of Richmond, and Mrs. W. H. Warren, of Chicago. France's defenders were Miss Robinson, Mr. Williams, Miss Taylor, and Miss Wadley, all of Richmond. Others playing were Miss Culpeper and Miss Julia Culpeper, of Clear Water Harbor, Fla.; Mrs. Mosely, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Perrell, Miss Wadley, Mrs. Taylor, and Miss Nannie Robinson, of Richmond; Miss Turner, of Lanexa, Va.; Mr. W. H. Warren, Jr., of Chicago, Ill.; and Mrs. Magill, of Washington, D. C.

A party has been gotten up to drive to the Grotto, a distance of fifteen miles. They will go the first of the week. Services were held in the Methodist church Tuesday evening by the Rev. Harry Lee of Charlottesville, Va.

Rev. Lee says they hope soon to erect

Hall, Richmond, Va.; Rev. H. B. Lee, Charlottesville, Va.; Master Keith Lee, Charlottesville, Va.; Mr. E. C. Leigh, Richmond, Va.; Mr. L. C. Leigh, Richmond, Va.; Miss Buckner, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. J. Kendrick Collins, San Antonio, Tex.; Lewis Siegel, Baltimore; W. E. Compton, University of Virginia; P. T. Compton, University of Virginia; Charles Young, McGaheyville; Miss E. M. Kroesen, Baltimore, Md.; E. A. Snyder, Philadelphia, Pa.; William R. Robins, Richmond, Va.; N. L. Track, Silver Creek; J. Thomas, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. I. N. Jones, Richmond.

RADFORD'S BUDGET.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RADFORD, Va., Sept. 10.—Captain and Mrs. William Ingles, Colonel and Mrs. George W. Miles and Miss Mary Miles are expected to-day from St. Louis. Mr. Warner J. Kenderdine, of the first of the week for Philadelphia to visit her mother, Mrs. Lytle. She will be absent about two months.

Mr. James Tyler returned to Richmond Monday after spending his vacation with his parents ex-Governor and Mrs. Tyler, at Holwick.

Paymaster George Venable has been transferred from Washington to the Boston navy-yard, and his mother's family will join him there the latter part of September.

Mrs. R. T. Emonson is visiting her mother, Mrs. Shumate, in Bluefield. Judge and Mrs. Seiden Longley left Thursday for Albemarle.

Miss Mary Phlegar, of Christiansburg, spent the week with Kathleen Cassell, at the home of her father, Mrs. E. B. Jones, for the past week.

Mr. J. F. Harris, cashier of the Trust Company Bank, returned Tuesday from a visit to his family in Amherst.

Mrs. C. Boydton, after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Edwin R. Carter, Judge Archer A. Phlegar and Mr. Hunter Phlegar, of Christiansburg, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dunslop, of Blacksburg, returned Thursday to visit Judge George B. Cassell.

Miss Mabel Wing, of Norfolk, is the guest of Mrs. J. R. K. Cowan.

Mrs. W. A. Wilson, attended the Tazewell Fair this week and will be accompanied home Saturday by her daughter, Miss Melita Wilson.

Mr. Keener Mount, of Tenn., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. E. B. Jones, this week.

Miss Bramhorn has returned to her home in Fluvanna, after visiting her friend, Mrs. W. B. Fuqua.

Mrs. Stephen Warlick and children, of Nebraska, and Mrs. E. L. Burton, of Wytheville, were the guests of Mrs. L. O. Bullard, this week.

The public schools opened Monday with the following teachers:

Wadsworth School—Lacell L. Powers, principal, assisted by Miss Ruby Ellis, Miss Anna Kenderdine, and Mrs. E. E. Shanklin.

Belle Heth Academy—Mr. V. J. Hill, principal; assistants, Miss Mildred Evans, Miss Elizabeth DuPrest, Miss Selma Saunders, Miss Mary E. Gravelly, and Miss Bertie Eaton; elocution teacher, Mrs. V. J. Hill; music teacher, Miss Susan S. Culpin. Music teacher at Wadsworth School, Miss Gertrude Venable.

SOUTH BOSTON SOCIAL.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SOUTH BOSTON, Va., Sept. 10.—Just three miles west of this place there is one of the largest areas of forest and one of the most beautiful and oldest Colonial dwellings in Halifax county. The lovely avenues with trees of various kinds on either side leading to the house, the growing plants, the pretty green grass on the spot, all help to make up all that is essential to a magnificent dwelling. About half a mile from the house is Bruce's pond, covering seven acres, which affords rowing and other sports to the heart's content of the pleasure seeker. The large farm, known as "Berry Hill," is owned and occupied by Alexander R. Bruce. "Berry Hill" last Saturday afternoon was the scene of a lawn fête, given by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce and assisted by their daughter, Miss Ellen D. Bruce, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church at this place.

They entertained their guests, numbering about seventy-five, royally. After refreshments were served the guests were shown through the dwelling, and portraits and other things of historical note were pointed out to them. After roaming through the grounds at will and enjoying all the surrounding pleasures the well-pleased crowd started for home about twilight.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cunningham gave a most enjoyable social to a number of friends in honor of Miss Maud Cunningham, of Cunningham, N. C., last Tuesday evening. During the evening the guests were entertained with excellent music furnished by the hostess. Dainty refreshments were served. Those present were Misses Laura Stebbins, Rose Watkins, Lucille Blumhardt, Joseph Stophing, Jr., Henry Watkins, Mrs. D. K. Davis, and W. H. Moseley.

NORTHUMBERLAND.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HEATHSVILLE, Va., Sept. 10.—A larger area of crimson (German) clover has been sown in the Northern Neck this year than ever before. Many of the farmers who have hitherto been prejudiced against it and could see no good in it, are now enthusiastic admirers of it.

The farmers of this section are busy "pulling" fodder, and the old cry of "more labor" is being heard. Labor seems to be growing scarce year by year, until now the farmers seem to be having the hardest difficulty in getting any labor at all. In some sections of the Northern Neck, nearly all the labor has been secured in the North, but gross negligence in the chief cause is the tomato and fish factories.

On the third Sunday in October the members of Coan Baptist church will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of that church. Rev. Mr. Dunnaway, of Lancaster, will make the centennial speech. Coan church was

J. P. MORGAN AGAIN NARROWLY ESCAPES

Launch Nearly Capsized by Sister Ship of the General Slocum.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—J. P. Morgan narrowly escaped death by drowning in the North River Thursday—his second close call this summer under similar circumstances.

Mr. Morgan, in his launch, was in a hurry to get to the New York Yacht Club dock, and tried to pass in front of the Grand Republic, sister ship of the General Slocum, which was burned, entailing a loss of more than 1,000 lives. The big steamship was coming along at top speed, and the pilot did not see the launch trying to cut across his bows.

George Bunker, a life-saver, sprang into his skiff to row to the rescue. As the Grand Republic went swiftly by, great swells rolled away from her sides, and those on shore saw the frail launch picked up and tossed about as though it were a feather.

They saw the financier throw up his hands and almost plunge overboard from the sudden lift.

When Morgan landed he looked exhausted. His clothing was soaked, and the launch had taken a foot of water aboard.

He's a Hustler.
Mr. Pullitzer established a record by writing a fourteen-column editorial for his paper, the New York World.

Mr. John Brisson Walker leaves this week in the shade by writing every line of the reading-matter in the September number of this magazine, the Cosmopolitan. The issue is devoted entirely to the St. Louis fair. Of the 144 pages, exclusive of advertising, illustration takes up probably 40, leaving 100 pages covered by the work of Mr. Walker's "facile pen." What do you think of that?—Norfolk Landmark.

Mr. John L. Rudd, engraver, having been with the firm of Lumsden and Son, Jewelers, for some time, is now located in business, carrying a stock of watches, and diamonds, at No. 222 East Broad Street, and will be pleased to supply his friends at lowest prices in this line.

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how many fellow will court many a girl and think she's the prettiest and sweetest thing that ever happened, and the next person you meet, man or woman, perhaps yourself, will think she's perfectly "horrid."

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